

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. ~~A~~ method of making a coated golf ball  
comprising

5 a golf ball body, of which the surface portion is  
formed from resin composition or rubber composition, and  
a paint layer formed on the golf ball body,  
wherein the paint is coated within 72 hours after molding  
the golf ball body in a mold.

10 2. The method according to Claim 1, wherein  
further comprising a step of performing a pretreatment of  
the surface of the golf ball body for coating a paint by at  
least one treatment selected from the group consisting of  
grinding or blasting treatment, washing and flaming  
treatment, before coating the paint.

15 3. The method according to Claim 2, wherein the  
step of performing a pretreatment of the surface of the  
golf ball body is performed by the grinding or blasting  
treatment, followed by the washing treatment.

20 4. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the  
paint is urethane-based paint or epoxy-based paint.